

Scientific Tracks

The NICIS conference welcomes the submission of abstracts.

Call for Abstracts

Please read the following guidelines carefully before submitting your abstract:

- Abstracts can only be submitted by mail to **abstracts@[NICIS.fr]**; submissions by fax, post or email will not be considered.
- All abstracts must be written in English.
- It is the author's responsibility to submit a correct abstract. Any errors in spelling, grammar or scientific fact in the abstract text will be reproduced as typed by the author.

Policies for Abstract Submission

Copyright Policy

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An abstract which has been previously published or presented at a national, regional or international meeting can only be submitted provided that there are new methods, new findings, updated information or other valid reasons for submitting that can be provided by the author.

If preliminary or partial data has been published or presented, the author is required to indicate the details of the publication or presentation as well as the reasons for submitting the abstract to NICIS 2017. This information will be considered by the Scientific Programme Committee when making final decisions.

If the author neglects to indicate the details of when and where the preliminary or partial data has been published or presented, and the reasons for resubmitting (new methods, new findings, substantially updated information or other valid reasons), and if evidence of previous publication or presentation is found, the abstract will be rejected.

Plagiarism

The conference organizers regard plagiarism as serious professional misconduct. All abstracts are screened for plagiarism, and when identified, the abstract and any other abstracts submitted by the same author are rejected. In addition, the submitting author's profile and scholarship application, in the case one has been submitted, will also be cancelled.

Ethical Research Declaration

The conference supports only research that has been conducted according to the protocol approved by the institutional or local committee on ethics in human investigation. Where no such committee exists, the research should have been conducted in accordance with the principles of the [Declaration of Helsinki of World Medical Association](#). The NICIS 2017 Scientific Programme Committee may enquire further into ethical aspects when evaluating the abstracts.

Conference Embargo Policy

In the case of NICIS 2019, as well as most scientific/medical conferences, all conference abstracts are released to delegates and media under a strict embargo policy. A detailed breakdown of the embargo variations for different types of abstracts is available on the [NICIS 2019 Conference Embargo Policy page](#).

Abstract Submission Process

Abstract Structure

Abstracts in all Tracks and without exception should be structured as follows:

- **Background:** Indicate the purpose and objective of the research, the hypothesis that was tested or a description of the problem being analyzed or evaluated.
- **Methods:** Describe the setting/location for the study, study design, study population, data collection and methods of analysis used.
- **Results:** Present as clearly and detailed as possible the findings/outcome of the study, with specific results in summarized form.
- **Conclusions:** Briefly discuss the data and main outcome of the study.

Font

A standard font, e.g. Arial, should be used when formatting the text. This helps to prevent special characters from getting lost when copying the text to the online abstract submission form. Ensure to check the final abstract with the system's preview function before submission, and edit or replace as necessary.

Word Limits

The abstract text body is limited to 350 words. Titles are limited to 30 words.

A maximum of three tables and three graphs/images can be included: a graph/image (in JPG, GIF or PNG with ideally 600 dpi) counts as 50 words and a table counts as 10 words per row.

Suggestions

- Abstracts should disclose primary findings and avoid, whenever possible, promissory statements such as "experiments are in progress" or "results will be discussed".
- If English is not your native language we recommend that you have your abstract reviewed by a native speaker before submission.

Deadline

Deadline to submit your abstract : **May 24th, 2019**

Abstract Review and Selection Process

Abstract Review and selection

All submitted abstracts will be reviewed by the scientific organizers of the NICIS conference. The highest-scoring abstracts will be selected for presentation in Oral Abstract Sessions or Oral Poster Discussion Sessions. The majority of the selected posters will be displayed in the Poster Exhibition and / or presented during a dedicated session.

Notification of Acceptance or Rejection to Corresponding Author

Notification of acceptance or rejection will be sent to the submitting (corresponding) author by mid May. Please note that only the corresponding author will receive mail concerning the abstract and is responsible for informing all co-authors of the status of the abstract. Authors whose abstracts have been accepted will receive instructions for the presentation of their abstract. In order to receive these important communications, please ensure that emails from **abstracts[@]NICIS.fr** are not considered as spam by your e-mail provider.

Rule of Two

Each presenting author may present a maximum of two abstracts at the conference. The number of submissions is however not limited. Should an author have more than two abstracts accepted for presentation, a co-author must be named as presenting author for one or more abstracts.

Awards

Two outstanding abstracts will be recognized and rewarded with:

- Jean Mantz Award for clinical research – 1000 €
- Jean Mantz Award for experimental research – 1000 €

Publication of Accepted Abstracts

Your abstract, if accepted, will appear in its full form on the NICIS websites.